

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS
AND SURVEYORS.

Public Auctions.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, July 18, 1921,
commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

12 cases Wollen Blankets,

1 case Mohairs,

1 case Wollen Tweeds,

1 case Khaki Proofed Canvas,

2 cases Infecting Balls,

9 cases Cow Hides,

2 cases Fire Pumps,

12 dozen Scythe Blades,

1 reel Steel Hoisting Rope, 3" diameter,

2 3" Cast Iron Foot Valves, with strainers,

3 lengths 2" Suction Hose,

3 pairs 2" Couplings,

10 cases Rubber boots,

113 cases Doublets Soap.

Terms—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, July 15, 1921.

on

TUESDAY, July 19, 1921,
commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at No. 8 Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

A Quantity of Round, Square and Flat Iron Bars, Steel Plates, Angle Iron, Rivets, Tinplates, Brass-ware.

Also

A Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods.

Terms—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, July 14, 1921.

on

WEDNESDAY, July 20, 1921,
commencing at 9.45 p.m.

at No. 40, Humphreys Building, Kowloon.

A Large Quantity of

Valuable Household Furniture,
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

On view on day of sale.

Terms—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, July 13, 1921.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st July, 1921.

CITY AND DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

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PRICES are Very Moderate. Inspection and Enquiries are cordially invited.

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Hongkong, March 30, 1914.

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Hughes & Hough
AUCTIONEERS TO THE GOVERNMENT
AND ADMIRALTY.

Coal Contractors
General Brokers.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED)

TUESDAY,
July 19, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

WHITE GOODS.
Comprising—
Ladies' and Gents' Handkerchiefs, Damask Table Cloths 60 and 68 inches wide, Serviettes, Turkish and Huckaback Towels, Bed Quilts, Bed Valances, Bedspreads, Pillow Cases, Cotton Calico, Dollies, Tray and Glass Cloths, Shirtings, Sheetings 72 and 80 inches wide, Bed Sheets.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

TUESDAY,
July 19, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS, CARPETS,
Comprising—
Dining Suites, Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs (new), Card and Occasional Tables, Teakwood Twin Bedsteads large and small, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables and Chairs, Washstands, &c., (famed Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner Waggon, Dinner Services, Crockery, & Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, &c., Bath Room Utensils, Electro-plated Ware, One American Ice Chest.

Electric Reading Lamps, Screens, Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures, &c.

Also
One Copper Bath, &c.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

FRIDAY,
July 22, 1921, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

Balance of consignment Cotton Sheet, Turkish Towels, Madras and Imitation Turbans,
Comprising—
Cotton Sheet, Turkish Towels, Madras and Imitation Turbans.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

FRIDAY,
July 22, 1921, at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

The Wreck of the S.S. "HONG MOH"
as she now lies.
The "Hong Moh" was wrecked on about 3rd March 1921, off Swatow. Terms:—Cash on fall of the hammer.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

MARTIN'S APOLLO PILL
A Powerful Remedy for all Disorders of the Digestive System.

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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Interim Dividend of £3 per share, subject to deduction of Income Tax, has been declared for the HALF YEAR ending 30th June, 1921, at rate of 2 1/2 per dollar.

The dividend will be payable on and after MONDAY, the 8th August, 1921, at the OFFICES of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 25th July, to SATURDAY, the 3rd August, 1921, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 12, 1921.

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.
Hongkong Branch.

AN ADJOURNED MEETING will be held on MONDAY, July 18, at 5.45 p.m. At the GUILD OFFICES, Sailors' Home.

SPECIAL URGENT BUSINESS.
W. J. STOKES,
Branch Secretary.
Hongkong, July 15, 1921.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.
CABARET DINNER DANCE.
TO-DAY
SATURDAY, 16th July, 1921.

England's Representative Dancers
MISS MARJORIE RUSSELL
AND
MR. W. E. FROST,
will present
The latest Ball Room and Specialty Dances.

THE BRITISH LEGION.
(Hongkong & China Branch).

THE COMMITTEE of the BRITISH LEGION would be grateful if firms having vacancies on their staff would notify the Hon. Secretary, (Mr. H. R. HOLMES, Land Office, Courts of Justice) to that effect stating their requirements, & thus possibly assist unemployed Ex-Service men to obtain work.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM.
THE PETITION
May be signed at the following places:

Hongkong Club,
Phoenix Club,
The Engineer's Institute,
Kowloon Cricket Club,
Kowloon Bowling Green Club,
Club de Rekreio,
Victoria Recreation Club,
Lusitano Club,
Taikeo Recreation Club,
Kowloon Dock Reading Room,
Messrs. Wiseman's Ltd.,
Messrs. Lane, Crawford Ltd.,
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh Ltd.,
F. P. de V. Soares' Office.

PUBLIC AUCTION
G. R.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the lotting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of July, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of a Lot of CROWN LAND at Shamshuipo in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal as a year, with the King for one further term of 24 years, less 3 days from 1st July, 1928.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

FOR SALE.
New and Used.
HARDLEY DAVIDSONS.
INDIANS.
HENDERSONS.
WOLFE.
and SMITH.
MOTOR CYCLES.
REEVES & CO.,
106 114, Wo-San-San Street,
Kowloon.

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF JULY, 1921, AT NOON, for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Memorandum of Association of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting. A print of such draft new Memorandum of Association and a print of the existing Memorandum of Association of the Company may be seen at the Company's Registered Office in the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street aforesaid, and a comparison of the print of the existing Memorandum of Association with the print of the draft new Memorandum of Association will show wherein the draft new Association Memorandum differs from the existing Memorandum of Association. Should the Meeting approve of such new Memorandum of Association with or without modification, the subject Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(1) That the provisions of the Company's Memorandum of Association with respect to its objects be altered so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting.

and also for the following further purposes, namely:—
For the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Articles of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting. A print of such new Articles and a print of the existing Articles may be seen at the Company's Registered Office in the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street aforesaid. In such print the portions of the proposed new Articles which differ from the existing Articles are indicated by underlining in black ink and by marginal notes. Should the Meeting approve of such new Articles with or without modification, the subject Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

(2) That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street aforesaid, on SATURDAY, the THIRTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, 1921, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as Special Resolutions, the above mentioned Resolutions (Nos. 1 and 2).

Should the first of the above Resolutions (No. 1) be confirmed as a Special Resolution by the requisite majority, the alterations in the Company's memorandum of Association consequently involved will be submitted to the Supreme Court of Hongkong for confirmation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the said SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be continued for the purpose of considering, and, if thought fit, passing the following further Resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions, namely:—

(3) That each of the existing 30,000 fully paid up shares of \$50 each constituting the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 be divided into 5 fully paid up shares of \$10 each so as to make such Capital \$1,000,000 consisting of 100,000 fully paid up shares of \$10 each.

(4) That after the division aforesaid, the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 consisting as aforesaid, to \$2,500,000 divided into 250,000 shares of \$10 each by the creation of 150,000 new shares of \$10 each—such new shares (subject as hereinafter mentioned) to be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may think fit.

(5) That it is desirable to capitalise the sum of \$1,000,000 being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the General Reserve, and accordingly that for the purpose of effecting such capitalisation such sum of \$1,000,000 be distributed as bonus among the shareholders of the

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF FOUR DOLLARS per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1921, will be payable on TUESDAY, July 26th, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 19th to TUESDAY, the 26th July, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, July 12, 1921.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF FOUR DOLLARS per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1921, will be payable on TUESDAY, July 26th, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 19th to TUESDAY, the 26th July, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Acting Secretary to the General Managers.
Hongkong, July 12, 1921.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF TWELVE DOLLARS per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1921, will be payable on TUESDAY, July 26th, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 19th to TUESDAY, the 26th July, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Acting Secretary to the General Managers.
The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.
General Agents for
The West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, July 12, 1921.

NOTICE
THE HONGKONG DOLLAR DIRECTORY has been acquired, as from July 7th, 1921, by the undersigned with all rights and titles, and will hereafter be published by them. No claims against the Hongkong Dollar Directory incurred prior to this date will be admitted by the undersigned.

THE NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE LTD.
5, Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

Company in proportion to the shares in the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 held by them respectively on the date hereinafter referred to, and that a bonus be declared accordingly.

And further that the Company's Board of Directors be and they are hereby authorised to satisfy such bonus as far as possible by the distribution in manner aforesaid of 100,000 shares of \$10 each credited as fully paid up among the persons who are registered as the holders of the shares constituting the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 on such date as the Company's Board of Directors shall decide—such last mentioned shares to rank pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present Capital of \$1,000,000 in respect of all profits of the Company earned since the 31st December, 1920, and such distribution to be in satisfaction of the aforementioned bonus.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a THIRD EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, aforesaid on WEDNESDAY, the THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF AUGUST, 1921, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting in so far as regards Resolutions Nos. 3, 4 and 5 above and of confirming, if thought fit such last mentioned Resolutions as Special Resolutions.

Dated this Fourteenth day of July, 1921.
By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

25 WORDS 3 INSERTIONS.
\$1. FREPAID.
Every additional word 4 Cents for 3 insertions.

TO LET.
COMFORTABLE FURNISHED HOUSE, High, Cool position. Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Bath, Two Living Rooms, to let furnished for two or three months. Apply 21, Broadwood Road, (Tel. 3344) or Paymaster Commander, H.M.S. Titania.

TO LET—GODOWN at Yau-nai. For particulars apply to THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., Ltd.

TO LET—LARGE GODOWN AT VANCHAI, (known as Moly Godown). Apply to LEE HAY SAN & Co., 202, Queen's Road Central.

FOR SALE.
FOR SALE—ONE OR TWO LOTS of LAND in Jordan Road, Kowloon, about seven minutes by Rickshaw from Ferry. For plan & further particulars apply Box 1288, c/o "CHINA MAIL."

CHILDREN'S CORNER.
(Continued from page 2.)

"Steady on!" interrupted Pat. "That would keep us going for a bit. I think we should be jolly lucky if we found even one piece of gold."

"Oh you never know," Pat said, for he had a vivid imagination and nothing ever seemed impossible to him.

They hid their buckets and spades behind a rock and started to look about but there was no sign of a cave anywhere.

"We must go farther round the corner," said Pat, who never gave up hope and on and on they went, never realising how far they were going.

"Robin," suddenly cried Pat, who was carefully examining a huge rock alongside the cliff. "Just see if you can squeeze behind this rock. You are a bit thinner than I am."

"Very well," Robin replied, "And if I find it is a really big cave you will have to fight your way in somehow."

There certainly was not much room but Robin managed it and a minute afterwards his brother heard him cry, "Pat, it is the hugest cave! You must come."

"Of course I'll come," Pat answered excitedly and he pushed and squeezed between the rock and the cliff until he found himself in the cave too.

And it certainly was an enormous one. There seemed to be some holes high up in the cliff so that the boys were able to see even in the far corners and Robin, who had sharp eyes, saw a dark bundle in one place and immediately pounced on it.

"A bag of gold!" he cried, but it turned out to be only an old coat and a very ragged pair of trousers, much to Pat's amusement.

Robin was disappointed until a moment afterwards, he spied something on the ground where the coat had been.

"You may laugh at me Pat," said Robin. "But this really is money and I know that we should find some."

It was enough it was a large silver coin and neither of the boys had seen one like it before.

They searched thoroughly in every nook and corner and then, as there was nothing else to be found, struggled out again into the sunshine.

But what a sight met their eyes! "All the time that they had been exploring the tide was coming in and they had not realised it a bit. Now the waves were dashing right up to the rocks and they could see that it was impossible to get back."

"How stupid of us not to have noticed!" exclaimed Robin. "We can't possibly climb the cliffs and all the high rocks are so slippery."

"I know," suggested Robin. "We can have another look in the cave and see if we can find a safe place there."

So in they went again and immediately Robin cried, "The very thing! I knew that we should be safe here!" He pointed to a ledge of rock at the back of the cave which was perfectly dry and well above high water mark.

"You really are a useful person sometimes Robin," said Pat and they set to work to scramble up the high wall of the cave. There were bits of rock jutting out here and there and they soon reached the ledge and found that they could sit comfortably on it.

Then began a long weary time of waiting. The sea came up into the cave and the two boys watched the water rising and tried to cheer each other up by singing and telling stories, so the time passed more quickly.

Robin at last was so tired that he fell asleep with his head on Pat's

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

July 12th, 1921.

Butcher Meat.		Poultry.	
Best Sirloin—Mol Long Pa	51	Chicken—Kai Tan	40
Prime Cut	51	Capons, Small—Shi Kai	39
Corned—Hau Ngau Yek	52	Capons, Large—Shi Kai	42
Roast—Shia	51	Duck—Ap	52
Breast—Ngau Kam	18	Doves—Pan Kaa	19
Scap—Tong Yek	18	Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (fresh)	22
Steak—Ngau Yek Pa	20	Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (old)	19
Steak Sirloin—Ngau Lan	18	Fowls, Canton—Kai	40
Sausages—Ngau Cheung	43	Fowls, Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	56
Sallock's Brains—Ngau No per set	10	Geese—Nyo	26
Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li each 60		Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	45
Tongue, corned—Hau Ngau Li each 60 cents		Halibut—Hoi Nam Pak Kap	20
Head—Ngau Tan	80	Turkeys, Cook—Fo Kai Kung	80
Heart—Ngau Sam	13	Turkeys, Hen—Fo Kai Na	60
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	18	Salp—Sha Tsoi	each
Feet—Ngau Kerk	each 10	Phasant—Shan Kua	each
Kidneys—Ngau Yek	10	Snail—On Chien	each
—Ngau Mai	30	Artridges—Obo En	each
Liver—Ngau Kam	15		
Tripe (undressed), Ngau To	16		
Tripe, corned—Hau Ngau Li	each 60 cents		
Head and Feet—Ngau-tai	each 1.00		
Netton Chop—Young Pui Kwai	13	Almonds—Hang Yau	14 45
Leg—Young Pui	23	Apples, (California)—Kam Shan	
Shoulder—Young Shan	23	Ping Ho	45
Saddle—Young On Yek	33	Banana, (wild's), Macao—San	
Pig's Chubbly—Chu Chong	32	Hong Chiu	5
Brains—Chu No	per set 2	Carambola—Young To	
Feet—Chu Kerk	15	Cocoanuts—Ye Tao	each 10
Fry—Chu Chap	15	Lemona, China—Ling Wong	10
Head—Chu Tan	each 10	Lemona, (America)—Kam Shan	
Heart—Chu Sam	each 10	Ling Wong	each 5
Kidneys—Chu Yek	each 10	Lichee, Dried, (small stone)—	
Liver—Chu Koo	13	Lai Chi Koo	25
Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwai	25	Oranges, (Canton), Sweet—	45
Leg—Chu Pui	23	Shan-sheng Tin Chang	10
Loins—Chu Hui Tan	24	Oranges, Tin Chang	25
Fat or Lard—Chu Yek	23	Pears, (Canton), Cooking—Shi Li	10
Sharp's Head and Feet—Young	70	Peanut, Fat Sheng	13
Tan Kerk	each 10	Per Simmons, Large—Hung Tao	
Heart—Young Sam	each 10	Plantain—Tai Chiu	3
Kidneys—Young Yek	each 12	Palmato, Stam—Tum Lo Yau	each 15
Liver—Young Koo	24	Wanala—Hop To	10 14
Sacking Pig, to order—Chu Tai	20	Grapes—Po Tai Tau	each 10
Scap, Beef—Shang Ngau Yek	20		
Mutton—Shang Yung Koo	21		
Veal—Ngau Tai Yek	21		
Sausages—Ngau Tai Chong	No. 1—15. 36		
Fish.		Vegetables, &c.	
Barbel—Ka Yu	14	Artichokes—Ah Chi Chok	each
Bream—Pin Yu	24	Beans, Sprout—Nga To	14
Canton Fresh Water Fish—		Long—Tao Koo	2
Hoi Sin Yu	18	Beet Root—Hing Tai Tau	2 each
Caro—Li Yu	22	Bitter Squash—Fo Kwa	3
Octish—Chik Yu	18	Brinjal, Green—Ching Yek Kwa	5
Goddish—Mun Yu	21	Red—Hing Kwa	5
Crabs—Hau	26	Cabbage Chinese, (common)—	5
Octish Fish—Mun Yu	22	Kai Tai	8
Dab—Sha Hing Yu	40	(Shanghai)—Fo Tai	10
Dace—Wong Mai Lap	12	Gari Shook, Trump—Kau Shun	8
Dog Fish—Ti To	10	Cardifover (Lump)—Ye Tai	each
Kala, Conger—Hoi Man	22	(Medium)	
Shark—Hoi Man	20	(Small)	
Yellow—Wong Sin	24	Carro's—Kam Shan	10
Frog—Tao Koo	36	Celery Chinese—Yung Kai Tai	12
Harporo—Shai Pan	43	Glutinous, Dried—Kau Tai Chai	23
Goddish—Pak Koo Yu	18	Rad—Hing Fa Chai	5
Herrings—Two Pak	24	Green—Ching Lai Chai	5
Halibut—Chong Kwai Kip	18	Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chai	10
Labrus—Wong Pa Yu	23	Manardin—Kwai	10
Loach—Wu Yu	36	Lam Ma Tai	10
Lobsters—Lung Ha	40	Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Tao Kua	13
Mackerel—Chai Yu	28	Okros	30
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	38	Onions, Bombay—Yung Chung Tai	13
Wallat—Tao Yu	18	Onions, Green—Shang Ching	10
Wetars—Shang Ho	24	Onions, Shanghai—Shang-hoi	10
Purrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	16	Chung Tai	10
Sardine—Tao Lo	28	Panley—Kau Tai	10
Skipper—Pa Pan Yung	14	Peanut, Sweet—Yan Shi	10
Plaice—Pan Yu	32	Japanese—Yan Shi	10
Pomfrit, Black—Hoi Chong	30	American—Yan Shi	10
Pomfrit, White—Chong	40	Pumpkin—Tung Kwa	10
Sardine—Wing E	10	Radish—Hing Lo Pak Tai	10
Skipper—Tao Lo	1	Radish (Fresh)—Tai Wong	10
Steak—Tao Yu	10	Shallots—Kong Chong Tai	10
Tripe—Fo Yu	15	Spinach—Yin Tai	10
Tripe—Tao Yu	15	Tonkotsu—Fai Ka	10
Tripe—Tao Yu	15	Taro—Wai Tai	10
Tripe—Tao Yu	15	Turnips, Pungit, (Long)—Lo Pak	10
Tripe—Tao Yu	15	Vegetable Marrow—Lai Kwai	10
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GREIG.—On the 15th instant, at Cornhill, Quarry Bay, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Greig a daughter.

DEATH.

ARMSTRONG.—On July 15, Emily Armstrong, widow of the late John Martin Armstrong, aged 80 years. The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to day (Saturday).

The China Mail.

"GUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JULY 16, 1921

ADVERSARIA.

When I was a very little boy, my father, who was a scientific genius, did me a great injury. I had been out flying my kite, and was excited about it. I think that some of the blue light, the creamy sound, the sylvan wilderness, and got into my blood while flying my kite. That is the great good of kite-flying, that it must be done in open air and the free wind, with open eyes and distended lungs, and the usual, by consequence, a sponge for the throat. So I was excited and babbling to my mother of the marvellous hope of the day, how that my kite had gone up and up and up, till it was a dot like a lark, and then went clean out of sight. My father shocked me by telling me I mustn't tell lies. "You said your kite went clean out of sight, didn't you?" "Yes, father." "It was attached to string, wasn't it?" "Yes, father." "No doubt with the best in-

struction, he convinced me that the length of string I possessed did not support my statement to my mother, the statement he had called a lie. In the secret recesses of my soul I have hated string ever since, although I cannot eradicate the poison he put in my mind that day, nor get the habit of measuring the string to every kite men fly. That was thousands of years ago. No, the string makes it not quite fifty, I see. . . . I know that what I told my mother that day was a Truth, and I think now that she knew it was True, that my kite had more to it than string, and that it did go out of sight in the blue, "like a lark." I had watched it do it, and my visual recollection was intense and vivid and clear. I was a budding poet that day, and my father's unhappy passion for science turned me out of the flowery path onto the macadam or tarmac highway of analytic journalism. Ichabod.

My respectful compliments to C.M.R. THE WHALE, who very properly wrote to the Press that it was wrong of a priest called Maglio to shoot a whale in the way described in the R.C. propagandist magazine called *The Rock*. Maglio is in the Hoisting Mission District, and carries a sporting gun. The whale swam into an inlet at Swabue, and on hearing of it this priest of love rushed there and began at once to fire at the whale. Maddened with pain, the whale dived and surged and moved about in a great rage, all the while reddening the water with its blood, but could not succeed in again finding the entrance to the inlet. Fr. Maglio kept on firing at every chance from morning till noon, when the whale began to show signs of exhaustion and strange to say, succeeded at last in finding the way out. However, it had only strength to swim across the bay, and die on the sands of the shore of the town of Swabue. It was

quite a young whale. The superstitious pagan population gathered by hundreds that day and the next around the dead monster, declaring it was a spirit of the sea and shouting against the missionary who had killed it.

"From morning to noon"—what a pleasantly Christian pastime! Perhaps the "superstitious pagans" were Buddhists, who have ideas about the treatment of animals, ideas more enlightened than this Christian sportsman seems to have. Or is it, can it be, that this priest has a spite against whales, because one of them once swallowed a prophet? If a Jonah had happened to be inside this one, well, he would have been a Jonah, wouldn't he? Now will someone please take Maglio's gun away from him? He ought not to have one.

A cheerful, broad-minded young lady "of noble parentage," resident in Shanghai, advertises in the *China Press* for a gentleman to correspond with. He must be "of 33 to 48, refined, intelligent, aristocratic in temperament, whose views of life and aspirations are on a higher plane than the average foreigner in the East." What a pity I am over 48, and married. The rest of the description fits me so closely that I suspect she has heard of me. Alas! Box 1068, it cannot be. My old woman would be sure to protest.

A cruel fate. Box ten-five-eight. Keeps you and me apart. O I would state Box 1058.

That you have won my heart. "Of noble parentage (orphan)." How thoughtful. Lest their nobility might promise to be too oppressive, they are, by one word in parenthesis, pushed out of the way, and the road made clear for refined and intelligent aristocrats to rush at the prize. I trust the police will regulate the traffic.

Some time ago, I came across a note in a book or magazine article about the singing of the missel-thrush, and in my impetuous fashion at once in this column called the writer an ass, because, as I said, the missel-thrush does not and cannot sing. That was a considerable time ago, and I don't suppose it was in the mind of a reader who sent me a copy of the *Clarion* this week, in which Blatchford answers a Scotsman who reproved him for writing about the song of the missel-thrush. Scotsman told him that the missel-thrush has less music in him than a duck. Blatchford triumphingly cites Gilbert White of Selborne, who says that in Hampshire and Sussex the missel-bird sings early in the year, even in bad weather, and is named the "storm cock" in consequence. Now I am an enthusiastic reader of White, and I missed that. Blatchford cites other writers of whom I know nothing. Yet the bird we in the north know as the missel-thrush I have always believed not to sing. It is, owing to its harsh voice, sometimes called the shrike, sometimes the shrill-cock (Cumbrian variant, "shilly-cock," with long a.) It takes its name from the mistletoe. Thomas Wright, quoted in the E.B., gives the Anglo-Saxon name *scere* (compare "screech") as meaning one of the Turdidae. No Scots boy is likely to confuse the song thrush (thrush or mavis) with the larger bird. If, as Blatchford says, the missel-thrush is the finer singer of the two, it is curious that the inferior singer should be distinguished as the song thrush. Readers who know anything about it are invited to communicate.

Here's a bit from a recent book by Ford Madox Hueffer, which looks as if it ought to be underlined or at least ticked off in the margin. "Let the unpractised reader try to write merely a short note to a tradesman, and he will find that the phraseology he employs is that of dead-and-gone generations of note writers. Let him go a little further, and try to write an exposition of some moral truth, or an account of some mental adventure, and he will find, after he has written it, that he has employed phrases from Addison's *Spectator*, cadences from Dr. Johnson's *Lives of the Poets*, and the vocabulary, again let us say, of one of the editors of almost any dignified journal of to-day. There will be nothing of the writer's self."

With "phraseology" substituted for "vocabulary," I would endorse every word of that. Few people write as they speak. Many speak well and write ill. It is reported to me that a young gentleman dislikes my writings because they have such a self-satisfied tone. Why should a self-satisfied tone irritate, unless it be that his dissatisfaction with me indicates his satisfaction with himself? Does he

want me to grovel and complain that I am less wise or something than he is? And so to minister to his self-satisfaction. His friend who "thus betrayed him to me" quoted the opinion with a laugh, that might or might not mean disagreement with it. I hastened to say then, and I here readily repeat, that the young gentleman was quite right. I am self-satisfied. I am so satisfied with myself that the opinions of me or mine, held by such as he, do not occur to me as things that matter. Were it not that I saw it would furnish a basis for a paragraph, I should have forgotten it a moment after hearing it. This young man does not know it, but he is beginning a stage of moral and other judgments that I left a score years ago. As he thinks now, I thought then, and as I and other men of my age think now, so he will think by and by. This young man does not know that all men are very much alike, their resemblances greater than their differences, because youth loves to fancy itself unique, *sui generis*, a *rara avis*. It is not merely self-satisfied, it is vainglorious. Age and disillusionment bring the self-satisfaction which is really true humility than any dreamed of by this censorious youth, since it means that ambition has gone, and the patient is satisfied to be merely himself—one of the herd—and no longer poses as something greater. Get ready to be irritated, you whom self-satisfaction irritates, for I am satisfied that I can never be better or worse than I am, and as for you, all be irritated and be what probably comes to the same thing, for I do not care a damn what you think I ought to be, the sort of man I am, that sort of man is Me.

He's a good lad. enough. In fact, I believe a remarkably good lad. High-souled, and all that. I remember well meeting him at dinner. Perhaps meaning to be polite, he steered the talk to the Press, its noble mission, its great opportunity for good, etc.—the sort of thing you may hear at the annual conference of the Institute of Journalism. Maybe I'm after having a little politeness in me own shambles, for I headed him off by saying that the making of newspapers was a trade like any other, that it had its tricks, that most of us were quite unfit to teach or improve our readers, and that anyway the people did not want that—they wanted to be tickled and amused, and that I, hopeless of doing them good, was content to give them what innocent amusement I could. His hair, four inches long, stood on end. His eyes flashed. His voice thrilled. "Tis," he said, "the most damnable confession that ever I heard." After that I ceased to listen to him or to anybody else, going off into one of my trances, where people cannot follow me, so I heard no more. There wasn't any beer, and not enough whisky, so I came away early, anyway.

You know that idiotic and irritating way Hongkong people have, when using the street cars? The first in sits down in the seat nearest the entrance, and forces all followers to squeeze by him. Man did that to me this week. I trod on his toes. He said something. We were the only people in that seat. I asked him if he would mind answering a question. "I am," I said, "deeply interested in psychology. I want to find out why people like you sit down at the entrance, instead of moving inward so as to let those following get in. Seems to me it would be in your own interests. You force people to walk over your feet. You suffer. They don't. You get them again if they leave the tram before you. Again you are the sufferer, not they. Now why do you do it?" He met my eyes squarely. "You are," he said, "deeply interested in psychology. I'm pleased to meet you. So am I. Before I answer your question, let me ask you another. You have pointed out that by sitting as I did, and forcing you to walk over me, I was the sufferer, not you, and that should you get out first, I must suffer again. Well, as a psychologist, can you tell me why that worries you?" I thought of plenty good answers later—less agreeable air, as a Banque Industrielle clerk would say—but at the moment I was nonplussed. All the same, the space between the seats being so narrow, the local practice of sitting tight in the first seat you arrive at is a bad one, and should be stopped somehow. I would like a couple of hundred heavy weights to join my contemplated new secret society of Tramcar Manners Reformers, each one vowed to step firmly on every foot interposed between him and his seat. Slogan: Move up; here comes one of the Elephants.

At last I have achieved, accomplished, been of some use. A suggestion, thrown out in this column by your elderly buttton has been taken up seriously, and Hongkong has a Book

Club with forty members and lots more coming in. It may become a Big Thing. It will represent Hongkong culture, and be responsible for the cherishing of our reputed talent passing through. It will feed celebrities and force them to talk to Hongkong for Hongkong's good. Meanwhile it brings together those in Hongkong who love books. There was previously no such agency. They all loved in secret and alone before. When the new books arrive, and the gladders see them under our noses, and ask what they must do to become members of such a desirable organization, one of us is going to tell them things. It is the first step that costs! and Hongkong people have an enormous capacity for waiting till some other body takes it. That they can ever be cured of this pernicious inertia is, as the Babu in the story said, impossibly inconceivable.

The hostess of the IMPROPRIETY herself was OF ICE IN BEER. going to drop a lump of ice in my beer, and I raised a protestant palm. Her husband (a whisky drinker) said: "Woman! You must try to remember that in the best beer swilling circles that is not done, and what is more, never was, even in the most ancient times. Passing over, as too well known to require quotation, the passage in the 2nd chapter of the 1st Book of Jedaiah, prohibiting the admixture of water, which is ice in another form, I recall the well known lines in the Greek of Agamemnon, bk. ii, which I may translate freely, for the sake of your womanly ignorance of the classics, into 'Though a woman melt in tears, ice must never melt in beers.' More-over those excellent Latins, Corvus the Younger, and Tigellius the Physician, have passages strongly condemning as displeasing to the gods the proposition that beer may be in that wise cooled. The latter indeed, in his famous work so full of curious and useful pieces of information concerning all quarters of the then known globe, as that the people of Ethiopia were accustomed not less than six days a week to walk on two legs, and that the Megalocian, a strange folk, wore hats upon their heads, and would eat leeks if persuaded to it by necessity, records a case in which grievous bodily harm was the fate of a wife that dropt ice in beer, her thirsty mate happening to find the axe convenient to his hand in the first paroxysm of his displeasure, and another in which a carpenter that had drunken many pots of beer so treated became a rebel to the State. Moreover, coming to that rare and curious work in medieval Italian in which a certain Venetian that drank of beer for a wager . . . Here my hostess interrupted, remarking: 'Hoots, ma laddie. That may be a scholarship or a havers; but if it means that your friend disna want ice in his beer, I kenned that syne he lifted his hand the way he did.' Humour, of sorts, may be wasted on the female sex."

Though they had THE MISSES, often and often seen me occupy that particular table at the restaurant, and though it bore a card which said "Engaged" in two languages, and my chair was tilted (a recognized sign among real Christians) that I was engaged, I had to go elsewhere for tiffin. Consequently, when some unknown miscreant placed in my hands a Shanghai tract entitled "Christian Literature—A quarterly Link with our Friends," I felt intuitively that it could not really be meant for me. But I read it, because it was signed by a man named MacGillivray, and I used to go with a lassie of that name, who had yellow hair, and the softest hands, and a real bonnie laugh. And then I turned to page 2 and met these words: "D'ubious, many who discuss Christianity in the magazines are themselves living immoral lives. Arguments against Christianity are most welcome to such persons."

Whereupon, naturally, I bethought me of the misses who so rudely took my chair, and of the missionary who once stole my deck chair, and of another who stole a botle o' whisky, and of one in Hongkong who was a notorious liar and hypocrite, and I prepared to say unkind things about missionaries gone a'woy, and especially about this one who wrote such untrue, uncharitable, and unchristian things of magazine writers. But I repented of my intention. I thought it over, and I decided not to do it. After all, I reflected, it is just as well to support the missionaries, because they are the type of men who, unsupported, would almost inevitably lead lives of crime.

Dr. Johnson is described by M. A. B. (Mainly About Books) as "a rather truculent and dominating old bear," and the writer asks "why" such a literary character should be so attracted to the "immoral" missionaries. He also suggests the answer that he was "honest and courageous enough to be himself." This suggests the thought that the daily journalist

is handicapped. His chief handicap (overlooking, if you please, the fact that he may not always be a Dr. Johnson) is hyper-consciousness of the existence of his audience. (But shouldn't there be a word like "lecticence"?) His audience or lecture is hydra-headed, and its real likes and dislikes can only be guessed at by him. It must be tickled, amused, intrigued, interested; but not shocked. That last is hearsay; I think shock tactics might be beneficial all round. If he cannot please it, he must not displease it. Too much in the daily journalist's thoughts is the thought that his lecture must on no account be bored. Hence "sensationalism," and "stunts." Part of the hydra-headed beast has more savvy than the other, the presumably larger part. Part of it likes intellectual honesty and literary austerity. Part of it prefers its own habitual level of conversation, both for subjects and diction. Then again the wretched journalist is conscious all the time of an archipelago of prejudices through which he must steer his frail craft. So he backs and fills, gybes, takes sudden short tacks. The metaphor is not good. The journalist enjoys difficulties; the journalist feels himself a useless parasite, a contemptible worm, when he is not allowed to steer a straight course. Letters have always a charm that the public writings of their authors lack. Writing to some well known and trusted friend, with the perfect love that casteth out fear, the writer's thoughts are not clogged with rear thoughts, they flow like a pure stream, and naturally assume a decent garb. But "the grocer when he groces"—the literary grocer when he journals—is must handle treacle as well as tobacco, greasy and vulgar and personally unpleasant things as well as the spices of Ind or the clean and fragrant teas of Cathay. How Dr. Johnson would have "panned out" as a modern journalist, facing all its intimations, restrictions, and other temptations to insincerity, is an interesting speculation.

The game is not being played. How can I be expected to carry on unless someone accuses me of scurrility or something once in a while? The beast in the cage roars only when you prod it. If it be not stirred up, why should it do other than sleep? This is dull for the spectators who have paid to come into the tent. Where are the prodders? Perhaps discouraged by the placard that some busybody has hung up: "Keep away. This beast is dangerous." Pook! A caged animal cannot do worse than roar. . . . If things in the circus seem very quiet just now, don't blame the animals.

When I read early on in a detective story of the coroner at an inquest putting on the black-cap and sentencing the hero to be hanged, I know that many other equally remarkable things will have before said here dies. The motive of the murder was the "irretrievable ruin" of the hero's sweetheart's father, in a financial speculation. The poor old gentleman was reduced to a beggarly £1000 a year, apart from the heroine's £500 from her mother's jointure. Naturally, as he would desire to save his sweetheart and her father from such ruin, the hero is suspected of scragging the multimillionaire at the other end of the speculation. In stories of this order, all business contracts are cancelled, and losses automatically restored, by the death of one of the parties. What I like about them is the way the head of the C.I.D. is always at his desk, at any hour of night or day. If the murder happened in Hongkong, and I wanted to save the hero by bursting into the office of the Super Detective to mention that I had heard a richa coolie say that he carried a mysterious fare from the spot half an hour after the innocent hero was proved to be elsewhere—that's the way they do it, you know—the kindly, shrewd, white-haired chief sleuth would not take out a gold pencil and invite me to take a chair and "tell it in my own words." No. In the first place he would not be in, and the Chinese clerk would not be able to tell me when he would. When calling on any Hongkong public official on public business it is better to phone first and find out if you'll find him in. That would never do in a detective story. Besides which . . . But what's the use? A realistic detective story, correct as to procedure in detail, would probably be condemned by popular taste. The people who buy 'em and read 'em are like the curmies who took breakfast with the bishop, and when asked about the eggs, said he really preferred them bad.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

New millinery is advertised by Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co., Ltd., whose advertisement has been changed with this issue.

A Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been formed at Hongkong. Has this anything to do with the slave-girl question? asks the *Japan Chronicle*.

A party of Bostonians are to set out in August to retrace the footsteps of St. Paul. To make the thing realistic they should borrow two or three of the wooden ships that Admiral Benson wants to get rid of, and wreck them at the proper places.

Kokusai quotes Mr. Hayashi, manager of the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo, as stating that visitors to Japan are steadily decreasing in number owing to the inadequacy of hotel accommodation and the extremely high prices. He also mentions intensity of feeling in the United States against the Japanese as in some part the cause of the diminution of visitors.

The story from our correspondent to Peking of the seizure by the American Consul at Changhai of opium worth between \$300,000 and \$400,000, and about one ton in weight, draws attention to the daring of these engaged in the traffic and the value of the drug, which, it is to be assumed, is the native product says the *N. C. Daily News*. That a number of Chinese should be engaged in an illicit deal involving so much money is the best possible indication of the magnitude of the opium trade in the interior. Mr. Adams, the U.S. Consul, is to be warmly congratulated on the decisive action he took in the matter, and if every foreign official was as careful of his country's honour in such cases a very decided damper would be placed on the activities of some of the confraternity engaged in the trade.

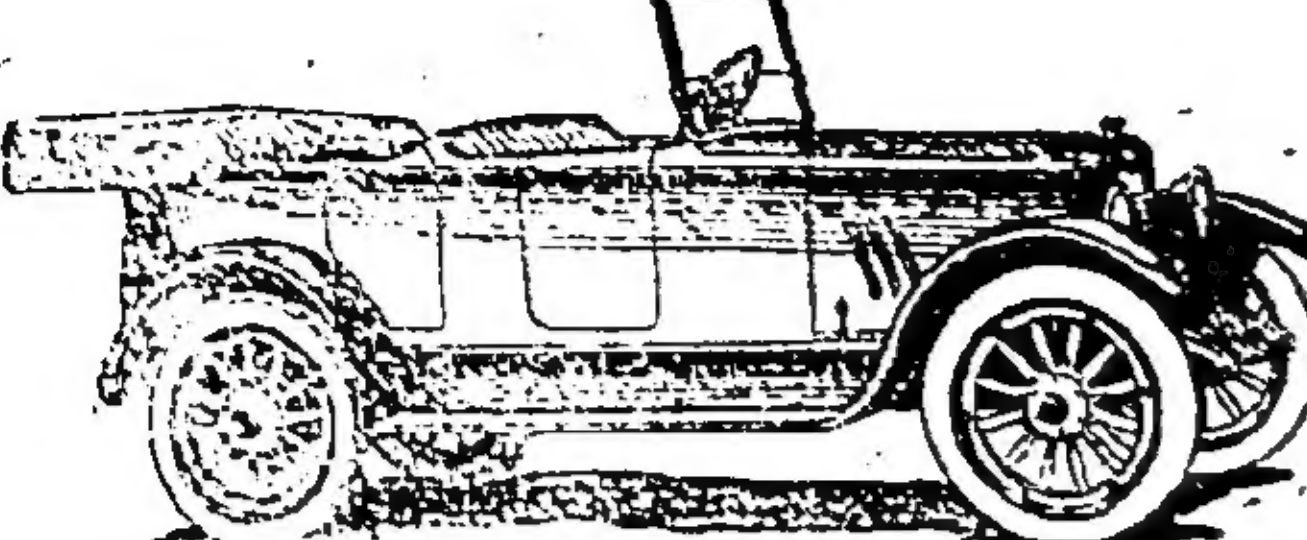
The Peking-Shanghai Air mail, or rather that section of it between Tientsin and the capital, came into operation on July 1 and the service has been maintained without a hitch of any kind. Col. F. V. Holt, the foreign advisor to the Aeronautical Department, was a passenger on the first postal plane to leave Peking. Letters sent from Shanghai to northern towns and Peking have been found to arrive 10 hours sooner than those sent by the ordinary mails, while the air section from Peking to the present destination of the service is covered by the fast Vickers-Vimy machines in under two and a half hours. Neither in Tientsin or Shanghai is the Chinese Post Office's venture receiving the support which is its due. People in Shanghai, stated an official at the Post Office in Szechuen Road, have apparently forgotten that the service has been in full swing for a week.

Some highly coloured picture postcards of his Imperial Highness the Crown Prince in England have already appeared in the Japanese shops, which shows considerable enterprise on their part. Curiously enough, they are exhibited with a piece of paper pasted over the face. After we have heard so much about the extremely democratic way in which the Crown Prince and the Prince of Wales went about, this is the more striking, says the *Japan Chronicle*. People in England would be surprised to hear that the young Prince, chatting and smiling amicably could not even be pictorially represented in Japan in a similarly public way. The custom would appear the more strange from the ancient tradition in Europe of covering a portrait to indicate some disgrace. But we shall probably see little more of this curious custom. It is stated that the cinema films of the Prince's visit are to be shown in due course, and they can hardly cover the face in those.

The Governor of Hongkong, in taking up the subject of rent-raising, has shown interest in a problem that has borne hardly upon the inhabitants of the Colony for many years. In a place where expansion is impossible and where people do not wish to settle down all their lives, the house problem is always a serious one, and for many years not only in Hongkong but in other British Eastern ports the profiteer has fattened on the income of the householder. The evil of the house agent is one with which Kobe is familiar, says the *Japan Chronicle*. In 1918 the pulpate burnt down every office of a large agency which had got thousands of houses into its hands and was contemptuously putting up the terms. Yet the house agent is in himself a very useful member of society so long as he does not become a monopolist and run amok. A little healthy competition in the house problem has been needed for many years in many countries, and since the war it has become more necessary than ever.

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OUR RENT BILL.

GOVT. REVISES BEFORE GOING ON.

The current Gazette notices that amendments in the Rents Bill are proposed. Here are some—

6. Amount sub-clause (1) of clause 4 by the addition of "or" to the last line thereof and by the addition of the following paragraph after paragraph (c):—

(f) the lessor bond file requires possession of the domestic tenement in order to pull down such domestic tenement or in order to reconstruct such domestic tenement to such an extent as to make such domestic tenement a new building within the meaning of the Public Health and Ordinance, 1903, and shall have given the tenant three months notice to quit.

9. Amend clause 4 by adding the following sub-clause at the end thereof:—

(5) Where a lessor has obtained an order or judgment for possession or ejectment on the ground that he requires a domestic tenement for his own occupation, and it is subsequently made to appear to the court that the order was obtained by misrepresentation or the concealment of material facts, the court may order the lessor to pay to the former tenant such sum as appears sufficient as compensation for damage or loss sustained by that tenant as the result of the order or judgment.

(6) Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed as affecting the operation of sections 205, 206, 207, or 207A of the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1903.

12. Add the following clauses:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Rating Ordinance, 1901, it shall be lawful for the assessor, in his absolute discretion, on the application of the owner or occupier of any tenement, to reduce the valuation of such tenement in any case in which the rent actually paid in respect of such tenement shall have been temporarily reduced in consequence of the operation of this Ordinance.

(2) Such reduced valuation shall apply to the quarter in which the reduction is made, and, subject to the provisions of the Rating Ordinance, 1901, with regard to interim valuations, shall continue to be in force while this Ordinance is in force, and until the coming into effect of the first annual valuation made after this Ordinance shall have ceased to be in force.

(3) If the valuation of any tenement is reduced under the provisions of this section, and if the rates in respect of such tenement for the quarter in which the reduction is made shall have been paid to the Treasurer before the making of such reduction, the Treasurer shall refund the sum by which the amount of the rates payable under the former valuation exceeds the amount of the rates payable under the reduced valuation.

13. If the rent of any domestic tenement shall be not higher than that payable on the 31st day of December, 1917, it shall be lawful for the lessor of such tenement to apply to the court to fix such other rent than the standard rent as the court shall think fit as the rent to be paid in respect of such tenement during the continuance of this Ordinance, provided that nothing in this section shall affect any rent which became due before the commencement of this Ordinance, and provided that nothing in this section shall apply to any domestic tenement during the currency of any written lease of such domestic tenement for a definite and unexpired term.

ALTERNATIVE DRAFT OF CLAUSE 13.

13. If the rent recoverable from the tenant in actual occupation of any domestic tenement on the 31st day of December, 1920, either (a) was a rent which had been agreed upon in writing at some date before the 1st day of January, 1918, or (b) was not higher than the rent recoverable from the tenant in actual occupation on the 1st day of January, 1918, it shall be lawful for the lessor of such tenement to apply to the court to fix such other rent than the standard rent as the court shall think fit as the rent to be paid in respect of such tenement during the continuance of this Ordinance, provided that nothing in this section shall affect any rent which became due before the commencement of this Ordinance, and provided that nothing in this section shall apply to any domestic tenement during the currency of any written lease of such domestic tenement for a definite and unexpired term.

vided that nothing in this section shall affect any rent which became due before the commencement of this Ordinance, and provided that nothing in this section shall entitle any lessor, during the currency of any written lease of any domestic tenement for a definite and unexpired term, to any rent higher than the rent reserved in such lease.

14. In case a lessor of any domestic tenement has expended or shall expend after the 31st day of December, 1920, the sum of five hundred dollars or upwards on additions or improvements thereto by which in the opinion of the court the rateable value thereof shall have been or shall be increased, the court may on application by the lessor for such purpose order that the rent of such tenement shall be increased beyond the standard rent by an annual sum equal to 8 per cent. on the amount so expended by the lessor on such additions or improvements, provided that nothing in this section shall affect any rent which became due before the commencement of this Ordinance.

15. If any lease of any domestic tenement, a portion of which is occupied by the lessee himself or by his family or servants, shall expire after the commencement of this Ordinance, nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed as enabling such lessee to retain possession of any portion of such domestic tenement which he does not occupy himself or by his family or servants.

16. (1) No person shall, as a condition or pretended condition of the grant, renewal, or continuance, by himself or by any other person of a tenancy of any domestic tenement, demand payment of any sum of money whatsoever, in addition to the rent.

(2) Every person demanding any payment in contravention of this section shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, and the magistrate by whom such person is convicted may order the amount paid to be repaid to the person by whom the same was paid.

(3) This section shall not apply to any fine, premium, or other like sum, which any person, before the commencement of this Ordinance, shall have agreed in writing to pay.

17. Where any sum shall, after the commencement of this Ordinance, have been paid on account of any rent, being a sum which is by virtue of this Ordinance irrecoverable by the lessor, the sum so paid shall be recoverable from the lessor who received the payment or his legal personal representative by the lessee by whom it was paid, and any such sum may, without prejudice to any other method of recovery, be deducted by the lessee from any rent payable by him to the lessor.

CHINESE VIEWS.
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING.

A meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon to consider proposed amendments to the new Rents Bill, including a suggested clause providing that where a lessor has obtained legal authority for possession or ejectment on the ground that he requires a domestic tenement for his own occupation through misrepresentation a court may order him to pay compensation for loss sustained by the tenant as the result of the judgment.

New clauses proposed to give the assessor authority to reduce the valuation of a tenement the rent of which has been temporarily reduced as a result of the Ordinance; to make it lawful for the lessor of a domestic tenement the rent of which is not higher than that payable on December 31, 1917 to apply to the court to fix such other rent than the standard rent as it shall think fit; to give the court power to increase the rent by an annual sum equal to 8 per cent. on the amount expended, beyond the standard rent of a domestic tenement on which the lessor has spent, or shall expend, after December 31, 1920, \$500 or upwards on additions and improvements increasing the rateable value of the property; to make it clear that a lessee shall not be entitled to retain possession of any portion of a domestic tenement not occupied by himself, his family, or his servants, the lease of which has expired after the commencement of the Ordinance; and to make it illegal for any person to demand a monetary consideration in addition to the rent for allowing the

WAGES CLAIM.

CIRCUS EMPLOYEES' ACTION.

A DISPUTED CONTRACT.

A claim for \$578, representing salary earned as a performer in the circus which appeared recently at the Ming Yuen Gardens, Hong Kong, was brought forward by Jack Kokernoot at the Summary Court this morning.

Mr. Macnamara appeared for the plaintiff and the defendant, J. Fredeni, was represented by Mr. Leo, D'Almada.

It was explained to the Judge by Mr. Macnamara that there was a written agreement between the parties, made on May 13 at Manila, under which two rates of pay were provided—30 pesos per day while in the Philippines and £3-10-0 per day day elsewhere. The only dispute was as to whether the agreement meant that the defendant should be paid £3-10-0 per day for every day since the circus left the Philippines or whether he should be paid only when actually performing.

Mr. D'Almada: We say that he is only to be paid on performance days—that is, no pay no play.

The plaintiff gave evidence that he had been engaged in several other circuses before and the arrangement had always been that there should be no lost work. He had understood that the same would apply to this contract.

To Mr. D'Almada: Plaintiff had supposed that he would be paid for every day except when travelling.

All of the other artists in the Circus were paid only for performances.

The defendant, in his evidence, said that the arrangement was that Kokernoot should be paid £3-10-0 for each performance outside the Philippines.

Mr. Macnamara explained that Kokernoot was the clown and therefore a very important feature of the circus.

The defendant: No, excuse me, I was the clown.

The plaintiff: So was I a clown too.

His Honour held that the contract must be interpreted as meaning that the plaintiff should be paid so much per day except when travelling while the circus was outside the Philippine Islands where the headquarters of the circus were.

Counsel agreed to have the case adjourned sine die in order to settle the exact amount for which judgment should be given.

PRETTY GIRL SHOT.

INQUIRY IN DESTROYER.

Miss Winifred Bellamy, a pretty young Edinburgh shop assistant, has died in hospital as the result of a rifle shot.

On a Sunday evening, with a girl friend, Miss Bellamy, who belonged to Stamford, Lincolnshire, visited some naval friends at Queensferry. The women were seated in a cabin, when, it was understood, a naval man who was a friend of Miss Bellamy came in and in fun pointed a rifle at her.

There was a loud report, and, to the horror of all present, Miss Bellamy fell. Unknown to the man, the rifle was loaded and the bullet passed through Miss Bellamy's neck. She was taken to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, where she died.

An inquiry was held on board the destroyer "Sorcerer," to which the man belonged. One of the witnesses was the young woman who accompanied Miss Bellamy.

WATER POLO.

"ROYALS" BEAT R.G.A.

By scoring a 5 goals to nil victory against the R.G.A. (Leymen) team at the club house yesterday afternoon the R.H.K. Y.C. water polo team succeeded in reversing to some extent the defeat it sustained earlier in the week. The "Royals" men showed a distinctly improved regard for combination and the gunners defeat was mainly attributable to their failure to "watch" their opponents. Rodger (4) and Logan were the goal-getters.

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The Hon. Mr. Lau Chupak, who presided, said that the Government had decided to adhere to December 31, 1920, as the date on which standard rent was to be fixed. Replying to questions he said that tenants had no right to recover any excess in rent paid since December 31 to the present month. Asked if goods in current practice of charging "share money" should be allowed to continue, he said that such a practice was illegal for any person to demand a monetary consideration in addition to the rent for allowing the

WAR OF THE JAZZERS.

DISCONTENTED COMPETITORS.

STRANGE SCENES IN PARIS.

There has been a remarkable scene at the final judging in the competition for the championship of modern dances at the Theatre des Champs Elysees. The tumultuous manifestations of the discontented competitors and their friends showed that if music sweetens manners it is not quite the same thing with the dance. The jazz band had played for five mortal hours, until two o'clock in the morning in fact, and when the decisions of the jury, of which the president was M. André de Fouquières, the arbiter of fashions for men, were announced, there were volleys of protests from the galleries, and a group of black-haired men resorted to acts of obstruction. Parsons and his partner, Mademoiselle Pontvianne, were proclaimed the world's champion dancers among professionals, and immediately their names were announced Lydon, a professional, rushed into the arena, and, with dramatic gestures, issued a challenge to Parsons, who, it was alleged, was an amateur and not a professional.

The president of the jury was not in the least dismayed by this clamorous ebullition of dissent. He let it be known that he accepted full responsibility for the decision that had been reached. There was another demonstration of disapproval when the announcement was made that Georges Clemenceau and his partner, though they had not carried off the championship for amateurs, which went to John Roskilly and Mademoiselle Andrée Fabiani, had been given the prize of honour. There were only two points of difference between Georges Clemenceau and Fernand de Huertas, who, dissatisfied with the decision, challenged his rival to dance all the dances. Georges Clemenceau is a grandson of the former Premier. Showing the state of excitement that prevailed, the father of one of the competitors had declared that if his daughter was not given the prize she merited he would kill a certain member of the jury, who, he imagined, was hostile to her. It was happily not necessary to go that length, for the fair dancer obtained her prize.

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VIOLIN THAT SPEAKS.

SCIENTISTS ENCORE AN ELECTRICAL MELODY.

To play on a violin without strings, the violinist being in a distant room, was one of the miracles of a new electrical discovery demonstrated at the Institution of Electrical Engineers by two Danish scientists.

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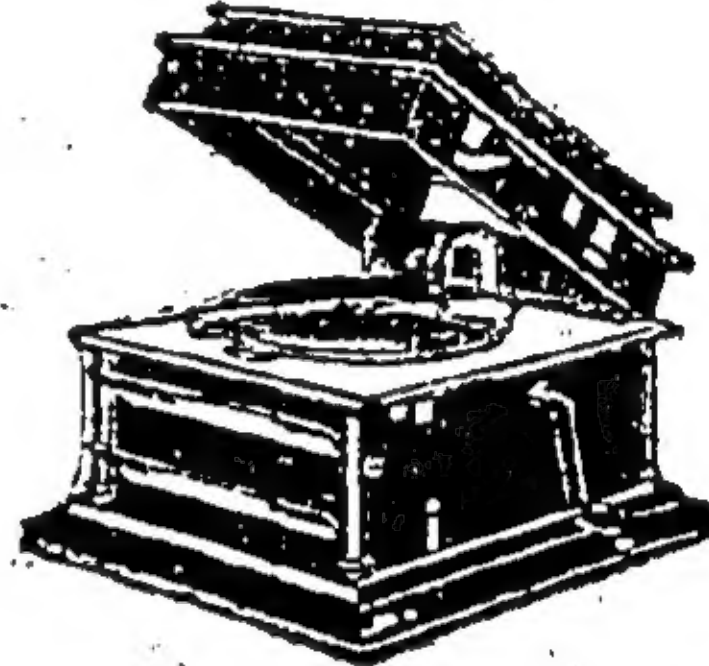
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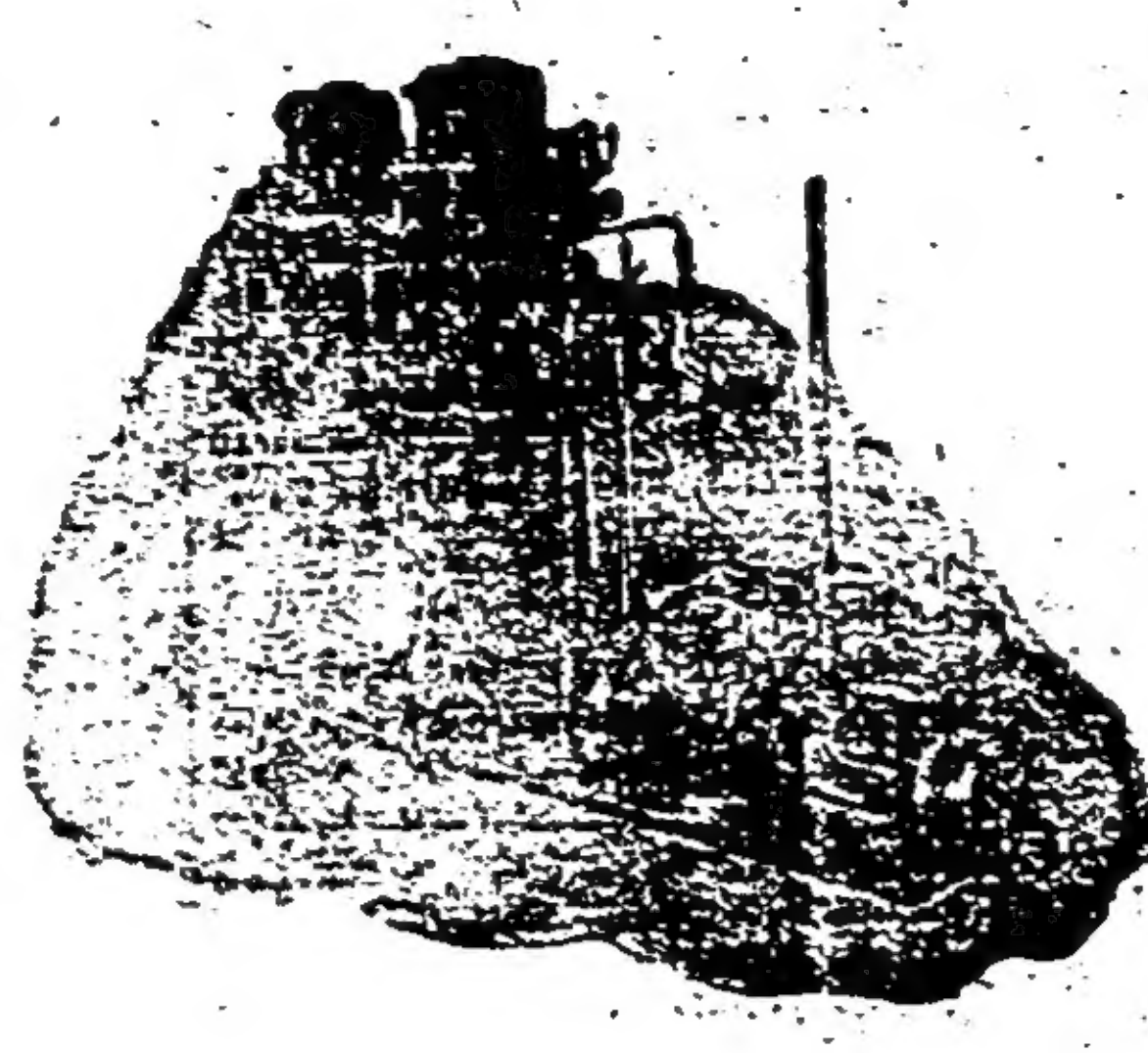
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France on July 14th, has postponed his
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proposed disarmament conference.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.
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by the London branch, a petition will be
presented for the winding up of the
London branch and an application will
be made for the appointment of a pro-
visional liquidator.
It is officially stated that these steps
are being taken solely precautionarily to
protect and preserve the assets for the
general body of creditors. It is con-
fidently hoped that the result of the
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Paris, under the leadership of the French
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It is officially stated that Mr. Lloyd
George and Mr. de Valera had a further
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morning. Conversations will be re-
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